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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to JP 5-108631, which is listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and of which a copy is attached.

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This document was cited during prosecution of a Japanese patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. A copy of the Japanese Office Action, which is dated July 2, 2007, is attached.

In view of this date, it is hereby certified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) that the document in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

A search has been performed in public databases, in an attempt to locate an English language counterpart to the cited document, which is in Japanese. No counterpart was located. Accordingly, a computer-generated translation of this Japanese reference was obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ("JPO"). Since the translation is computer-generated, and has not been reviewed by anyone conversant in both Japanese and English, it naturally contains numerous errors and omissions, and is clearly non-grammatical. Nevertheless, and in spite of these inaccuracies, it is felt that the translation is helpful for understanding the general nature of the technological content of the reference.

Also attached is a concise explanation of relevance, which includes a human translation of the Abstract and paragraphs [0005] to [0009].

The Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing and returning a copy of the attached Form PTO-1449.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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